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Applicants: F.J. McConnell et al.

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A DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING NETWORK

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants request the withdrawal of the appeal and the reopening of prosecution of the application before the Examiner so as to address issues raised in the Examiner's Answer that have not been adequately covered.

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